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I am a Professional Electrical Engineer with 55 year experience in engineering, and over 80 years of living in Alaska. I have fished for sport, for subsistence and commercially for salmon. I consider the energy emergency to outweigh the fish emergency in the Eklutna River.

I consider that it is ill advised to remove the dam and reduce the power production from the Eklutna project so significantly at this time. Maybe after the Cook Inlet gas issued is worked out and some additional energy storage or other base energy source is added to the railbelt consideration of removing the dam would be less alarming,

Life and economy for most of Alaska is more important than a few fish at this time. I think the Eklutna river can be rehabilitated enough with the dam still in place to promote invigoration of at least some of the salmon species.

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